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SUBJ: KOREA IN 28TH UNGA: SECRETARY'S BILATERALS

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SUMMARY: WE RECOMMEND SECRETARY RAISE KOREAN QUESTION
IN NEW YORK BILATERALS OCTOBER 4-5 . FAILURE TO DO SO
WOULD IMPLY USG DOES NOT ATTACH SIGNIFICANCE TO OTHERS
ATTITUDES ON THIS MAJOR 28TH GA ISSUE. RECOMMENDA-
TIONS FOR SPECIFIC BILATERALS INCLUDED IN THIS
MESSAGE. END SUMMARY.

1. AS REPORTED REFTTEL, WE BELIEVE VOTE ON KOREAN
RESES WILL BE CLOSE AND THAT NUMBER OF DELS WILL
RESERVE THEIR POSITIONS UNTIL IT CLEAR A) HOW STRONGLY
USG SUPPORTS ITS RES AND B) IF THERE WILL BE A COM-
PROMISE. GOAL IS DEFEAT OF OPPOSITION RESOLUTION
AS WELL AS ADOPTION OF OUR RESOLUTION. TO INSURE
THAT WE WORK FROM STRONGEST POSITION, WE BELIEVE IT
IMPORTANT THAT THE SECRETARY DEMONSTRATE STRENGTH
OF USG SUPPORT FOR PRO-ROK RESOLUTION BY DISCUSSING
KOREAN QUESTION--OR AT LEAST RAISING IT--IN MOST OF HIS BILATERALS
IN NEW YORK ON OCTOBER 4-5 . IF SECRETARY DOES NOT
RAISE ISSUE OTHERS WHO ARE UNDER HIGH-LEVEL PRESSURE FROM
OPPOSITION, MAY CONCLUDE WE DO NOT ATTACH IMPORTANCE
TO VOTING ON THIS ISSUE. FOLLOWING ARE SUGGESTIONS FOR
HANDLING ISSUE IN BILATERALS:
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A. CHINA - PRC POSITION HAS BEEN COVERED ELSE-
HERE, BUT WE ARE NOT CERTAIN WHAT FLEXIBILITY PRC MAY
HAVE. WE RECOMMEND CONTINUED STRESS ON IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO
CONCEPTS EMBODIED IN OUR RES.

B. MEXICO- MEXICANS HAVE INDICATED THEY WILL VOTE FOR OUR RES. SUGGEST SECRETARY THANK FONMIN RABASSA AND ASK THAT MEXICO OPPOSE PRO-DPRK RES.

C. CAMBODIA - SUGGEST THAT SECRETARY NOT RAISE KOREA.

D. SPAIN - SUGGEST SECRETARY THANK FONMIN FOR SPANISH SUPPORT ON OUR RES AND ASK THAT SPAIN VOTE AGAINST OPPOSITION RES.

E. GREECE - THANK KAVALIERATOS FOR GREEK CO-SPONSORSHIP OF OUR RES.

F. TURKEY - THANK BAYULKEN FOR HIS GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT OF OUR RES AND ASK THAT TURKEY VOTE AGAINST OPPOSITION RES.

G. ISRAEL - THANK ISRAEL FOR ITS AGREEMENT TO SUPPORT OUR RES AND VOTE AGAINST OPPOSITION RESOLUTION.

H. INDONESIA - INDONESIA RECENTLY RAISED ITS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ROK TO AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL SO THAT BOTH KOREAS ON A PAR IN JAKARTA. INDONESIAN WILLINGNESS TO SUPPORT OUR RES WOULD INFLUENCE OTHER SEA COUNTRIES AS WELL AS HELP HOLD BACK BANDWAGON APPEAL OF NON-ALIGNED. REQUEST SECRETARY ASK FOR YES VOTE ON OUR RES AND, AT MINIMUM, ABSTENTION ON OPPOSITION RES.

I. LAOS - SUGGEST SECRETARY NOT RAISE KOREA.

J. EGYPT - SUGGEST SECRETARY NOTE USG DIAPPOINTMENT THAT EGYPT CO-SPONSOR OF OPPOSITION RES.

K. ZAIRE - SUGGEST SECRETARY MAKE CLEAR USG UNHAPPINESS OVER ZAIRE CO-SPONSORSHIP OPPOSITION RES.

L. CYPRUS - NICOSIA REPORTS CYPRUS INCLINED TOWARD ABSTENTION. WE SHOULD ASK FOR YES VOTE ON OUR RES AND, AT MINIMUM, ABSTENTION ON OPPOSITION RES.

M. JORDAN - JORDAN HAS USUALLY ABSTAINED ON PAST KOREAN RESES, BUT BECAUSE OF ARAB PRESSURES INCLUDING EGYPTIAN CO-SPONSORSHIP OPPOSITION RES, IT MAY VOTE AGAINST OUR RES. WE WANT TO INSURE THAT NO COMMON ARAB POSITION TAKEN TO OPPOSE OUR RES AND SUPPORT OPPOSITION RES. RECOMMEND SECRETARY ASK FOR YES VOTE ON OUR RES AND, AT LEAST, ABSTENTION ON OPPOSITION RESOLUTION.

N. ETHIOPIA - ALTHOUGH A CONTRIBUTOR TO UN FORCES DURING THE KOREAN WAR, ETHIOPIA IS UNDER STRONG PRESSURE FROM NON-ALIGNED TO VOTE FOR OPPOSITION RES. THIS PRESSURE MIGHT LEAD TO AN ETHIOPIAN ABSTENTION OR A YES VOTE ON OPPOSITION RES. SUGGEST SECRETARY ASK FOR YES VOTE ON OUR RES AND NEGATIVE VOTE ON OPPOSITION RES.

O. ARGENTINA - THIS IS AN IMPORTANT BELL-WEATHER COUNTRY. SUGGEST THAT WE ASK FOR A YES VOTE ON OUR RESOLUTION AND AN ABSTENTION ON THE OPPOSITION RES.

P. MOROCCO - SUGGEST SECRETARY THANK BENHIMA FOR MOROCCO AGREEMENT TO SUPPORT OUR RES AND ASK FOR VOTE AGAINST OPPOSITION RES. WE MUST MISS NO OPPORTUNITY

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TO LOCK MOROCCO INTO FRIENDLY POSTURE.

Q. SAUDI ARABIA - SA MIGHT ABSTAIN ON OUR RES
BECAUSE IT ENCOURAGES A COMMUNIST STATE (DPRK) TO
JOIN UN. SUGGEST WE ASK SA TO SUPPORT AND MAKE A
STATEMENT OF RESERVATION ON MEMBERSHIP PARA OF OUR
RES. SA SUPPORT IMPORTANT BECAUSE OF ITS INFLUENCE
ON VOTES OF MOST OF PERSIAN GULF STATES. WE SHOULD ALSO
ASK SA TO VOTE AGAINST OPPOSITION RESOLUTION.

R. SINGAPORE - SINGAPORE HAS GENERALLY
ABSTAINED ON KOREAN RESES IN UN. BECAUSE OF ITS
ANNOUNCEMENT AT NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE AND BECAUSE OUR
RES MODERATE, SINGAPORE CONSIDERING CHANGE IN ITS
POSITION. SUGGEST THAT SECRETARY ASK FOR YES VOTE
ON OUR RES AND VOTE AGAINST OPPOSITION RES.

SM SOUTH AFRICA - SUGGEST SECRETARY NOT RAISE
KOREA.

T. LEBANON - LEBANON HAS USUALLY ABSTAINED IN
PAST, BUT LIKE JORDAN, IT UNDER HEAVY ARAB PRESSURE,
AND MIGHT VOTE AGAINST OUR RES AND IN FAVOR OF
OPPOSITION RES. WE WISH TO INSURE AT LEAST A
LEBANESE ABSTENTION ON BOTH OF THE RESES.
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